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Russians Would Rather Welcome
It as It Would Tie up a Jap-
anese Squadron.

WAITING ON THE BALTIC FLEET.

Admiral Skrydloff's Plan is Not to
Risk Any Engagement Until
It Arrives.

ENEMY APPEARS IN MANCHURIA.

May Attempt to Stop Kuropatkin's Re-
treat Northward and Hurl Forces
Against Liao Yang and Mukden.

St. Petersburg, May 17 (1:50 p. m.).—The probability that there will be no further communication with Port Arthur, thus preventing Vice Admiral Skrydloff from assuming command of the Russian squadron there, has led to the suggestion that Skrydloff will return from the far east and hoist his flag as commander of the Baltic squadron, which is destined for the far east. Whatever Skrydloff's future plans may be the admiralty says he will certainly proceed to Vladivostok and inspect the squadron there. The report that Vladivostok is blockaded is denied at the admiralty. Telegrams received from Rear Admiral Jessen do not refer to the presence of a single Japanese ship. It is said that the Russians would not have the slightest objection to the blockade of Vladivostok since it would tie up a Japanese squadron without causing inconvenience, it being Admiral Skrydloff's plan not to risk either of the Russian squadrons until the Baltic squadron reaches the Pacific.

No official dispatches were given out this morning on account of the delay occasioned by the emperor's journey. His majesty arrived at Kharkoff this morning, whither all dispatches have been transmitted.

In the absence of advice the general staff is continuing its speculation based on the latest reports of the appearance of considerable bodies of the enemy in the northwest section of Manchuria. The opinion prevails that this is an indication of the intention of the Japanese to make an attempt to stop Gen. Kuropatkin's retreat northward, while the main Japanese force is hurled against Liao Yang and Mukden. It is believed here that the Japanese generals must appreciate that they would lose the fruits of their achievement if Kuropatkin retires unmolested to Harbin and there awaits reinforcements, leaving the invaders to hold the country and thereby to establish a base. The Japanese course would have good prospects of success if they had sufficient strength, but the authorities here are convinced that the enemy is too weak to carry it out. They are saying that Kuropatkin never had any intention to attempt to stop the northward advance of the Japanese a railroad engineer who just arrived from the far east had better go slow, saying that when he talked with the commander-in-chief in February, the latter wanted an additional line built in the rear of the Manchurian army, so that it could be moved forward as the situation advanced. The engineer added: "Kuropatkin said he hoped to advance at the end of June, or in case the rains arrived at the end of August. I pointed out to him that he had better go slow and make a survey, to which Kuropatkin replied: 'Build immediately. There is no time for a survey. Otherwise the enemy's territory will be in the enemy's hands.'"

EDITORIAL ASSOCIATION.

Young Lady's Band from Oklahoma
Stirs Members to Enthusiasm.

St. Louis, May 17.—The annual session of the National Editorial Association was marked by a largely increased attendance from the far west. The delegates having arrived during the morning. Before the session was called to order, a local composer of music from New York, who had been invited to give a concert, played a number of national airs, to the delight of the assembly. The delegates then turned to the business of the day. When the convention was called to order, John Lyman of Louisiana, read a paper entitled, "The Journalists of the Future." It was followed by a brief address from Sir Hugh Gibson of London, president of the World's Press parliament. He paid a compliment to the thousands of miles to see in the center of America, a sea of palaces in which were gathered the delegates from all over the world. He said that what most impressed him, however, was the wonderful citizenship of America and the genius of Americans.

No Talk of a Strike.

Topeka, Kan., May 17.—General Manager Mudge of the Santa Fe departed today for El Paso, Tex. Before leaving he said he had no intention of making a strike in the shops here where there were only 180 at the time of the strike among the hattermakers here that we know of.

Hearst Hopes in Montana.

Great Falls, Mont., May 17.—Friends of W. R. Hearst hope to secure an immediate declaration from the Democratic state convention in session here today, but party leaders for the most part favor an untroubled delegation. The St. Louis delegation will probably include United States Senators W. A. Clark, Paris Gibson, and Gov. Toole. It is also expected that the county of C. B. Nolan of Lewis and Clark county is temporary presiding officer and Miles Romney of Ravalli is temporary secretary.

Withdrawal from Newchwang.

St. Petersburg, May 17, 7:10 p. m.—The complete withdrawal of the Russians from Newchwang is believed to have followed the strategic command of the port by the columns sent westward by Gen. Kuropatkin. The exact conditions under which the evacuation was effected are not known here, as all the official dispatches have been forwarded to the emperor. The foreign administration of Newchwang was handed over to, but the authorities express confidence that the Russian commander arranged for the safety of the foreigners before his departure.

The ministry of foreign affairs denies the report of riots among the peasants in the province of Volynia. It is said that the western section of European Russia is enjoying a great prosperity. Instead of the bad crops which are alleged to be the cause of the outbreaks.

Krupp's Works Busy.

Berlin, May 17.—A special dispatch from Essen says the Russo-Japanese war caused great activity in the Krupp works in the production of both cannon and ship building materials. Large orders for field guns have been received and the shell department is very busy. The dispatch does not say what country caused this activity but it is assumed to be Russia.

Congressman Hull Renominated.

Des Moines, Ia., May 17.—Congressman John A. T. Hull was renominated today by the Republicans of the Seventh district.

All Quiet at Chefoo.

Chefoo, May 17, 11:30 a. m.—There were no developments here today.

Roosevelt League Rally.

Lincoln, Neb., May 17.—As a preliminary to the Republican state convention, which meets here tomorrow, the Roosevelt league will hold its rally here tonight. The league will ask the convention to instruct its delegates at large to support Roosevelt for president at the national convention to vote for Roosevelt for president. The league also asks the convention to instruct its delegates at large to support Roosevelt for president at the national convention to vote for Roosevelt for president.

Tube Workers Strike.

Somerville, Mass., May 17.—Practically all the workers employed at the American tube works here today struck for an increase in wages. Nearly 600 men are out.

Federation of Women's Clubs.

St. Louis, May 17.—When the first session of the biennial convention of the Federation of Women's Clubs began today delegates from all parts of the country gathered in St. Louis. The most prominent subject of discussion is the question as to who will be the next president. At least a dozen names have been mentioned.

CHINA AND JAPAN.

The Former is Very Suspicious Of the Latter.

Liao Yang, May 16.—Delayed in transmission.—A Chinese official asserted today in a speech at a dinner given in his honor, and in that of the other Chinese officials, by the military authorities of Liao Yang, that he was very suspicious of Japan in order to use her. The official further declared that the Chinese government was very suspicious of Japan. He said that the Chinese government was very suspicious of Japan. He said that the Chinese government was very suspicious of Japan.

In hunting for Chinese bandits the Chinese authorities have now organized a subscription for the relief of the Chinese soldiers. The Chinese report that Gen. Ma is in the vicinity of Cheng to produce of his army. A detachment of Russian troops recently crept up on the rear of the Japanese advance and killed several of them. Gen. Ma is in the vicinity of Cheng to produce of his army. A detachment of Russian troops recently crept up on the rear of the Japanese advance and killed several of them.

GOOD ROADS.

Gen. Miles Makes a Strong Plea In Favor of Them.

St. Louis, May 17.—In the International Good Roads convention today the principal speaker was Gen. Nelson A. Miles. He declared himself as thoroughly in sympathy with the movement for better roads, and in his address recommended that 5,000 men in the army be used in times of peace as an engineering corps to locate the best and most feasible roads and co-operate with the surveyors of the various states. He said that the government would be vastly benefited by such a plan when it became necessary to build roads. He said that the government would be vastly benefited by such a plan when it became necessary to build roads.

KING EDWARD FOR PEACE.

He is Seeking to End Hostilities In the Far East.

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IRRIGATION CONFERENCE.

Engineers of the Inter-Mountain States Meet in This City Today.

State Engineers C. T. Johnson of Wyoming, Wayne Hamilton of Idaho, W. R. Chandler of Nevada, and E. F. Chandler of North Dakota, met this morning with Utah State Engineer A. F. Doremus, in the latter's office, and State Engineer Wade of Montana was expected this afternoon. The meeting was called by Mr. Johnson for a more satisfactory understanding of the irrigating laws of the intermountain states, how to reconcile differences and how to work more in harmony to become the better acquainted with the conditions covering their special fields of operation, to facilitate united action on the part of the people with regard to pushing irrigation improvements and projects, to consider the problem of interstate water rights, and such other matters as may be thought to bear on the subject that came up for discussion in the western hydrographic field. The meeting this morning was brief and saw the delegates were taken to lunch at the Commercial club by Engineer Doremus. Later in the afternoon the delegates were buckled down to business, and may extend the discussions through tomorrow or even later.

CONTRARY TO EXPECTATIONS.

No Serious Disturbances Marked
The Opening of the Polls in
Denver This Morning.

THE YATES MEN ARE STAYERS

Deadlock Still on at Springfield—
No Demonstrations at Columbus—
Iowa Republicans Gather.

WISCONSIN DEMOCRATS.

Fifth, Sixth, Ninth, Tenth and Eleventh districts. The First, Third and Eighth have already chosen their delegates, and this afternoon the Seventh will pick out two men to represent the district at Chicago.

CALIFORNIA DEMOCRATS.

Santa Cruz, Cal., May 17.—The chief feature of interest in the state Democratic convention today will be the report of the committee on resolutions. It is probable that two reports will be presented, one by the majority of the committee, which is in favor of an untroubled delegation, and another by the minority favoring the endorsement of William R. Hearst for president. There is a possibility that the debate on the resolutions will be prolonged so that a vote will not be reached until tomorrow. Should this be the case, today's session will be devoted chiefly to the discussion of the delegates to the national convention.

DEADLOCK AT SPRINGFIELD.

Springfield, Ill., May 17.—Conferees to break the deadlock in the Republican state convention meeting fruitless, the delegates today faced a prospect of further stubborn fighting. J. H. Neville, of Gov. Yates' campaign committee, said that no agreement between Yates and the delegates had been reached, but that if the fighting continued, the delegates would be forced to produce results before 10 o'clock this afternoon. Further efforts would be made to get the candidates together.

THE OUTLOOK TODAY.

The outlook today was that unless Yates should be beaten by a combination to which both Lowden and Dineen were parties, the deadlock would continue indefinitely. During one of the conferences the governor is said to have made the statement that, as he had more votes than any other candidate, he ought to be the last one that could be expected to withdraw and that rather than yield an inch he would let the convention adjourn sine die or take a 40 days' recess.

In the Yates camp there were intimations that the governor might expect a coup today. There was some depression among the Lowden men who had expected substantial gains yesterday and today seemed confronted by a possibility that Colonel Lowden might be forced to a choice between Yates and Dineen.

The governor's delegates marched in a body to the state capitol building today. The first letters, in large letters, spells Yates.

REPUBLICANS AT COLUMBUS.

Columbus, O., May 17.—The preliminary meetings of the Republican state convention here today were not as demonstration as or as largely attended as usual. No special interest was expected as the county conventions of last week showed that there would be no factional changes in the state by the delegates. The delegates were expected to be the state executive committee.

COMMITTEE ON STATE OF THE CHURCH.

Having Matter in Charge is Against It.

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